

Meeting Commenced at 6:15pm.

1. Discussed March competition.
2. General group issues.
3. Technical issues.
4. Presentation.
5. Next Meeting.

1. March Competition

Details now confirmed.

Venue: University of Queensland, Hawken Building
Date : 28 March, Sat.
Events: Stockcar, Sumo.
Times : Pre race and sumo setup starts at 9:30am.
Stockcar competition qualifying starts at 1:30pm.
Sumo competition starts at 2:30pm.

The track should be set up at around 9:30am, for those that require a testing facility before the race. This way competitors have a chance to iron out the bugs in the code without the pressure of race conditions. **Paul to give the track to someone else so that this may occur.**

The ACS banner will be displayed, most likely hanging from one of the balconies above the track. – **Bruce to action.**

For publicity seeking avenues, talk to Bob Gentner from ACS (3367 3373) – **Bruce to action.**

Snapshot on the ABC, for advertising the comp. – **Aaron to action.**

Need to secure a presenter for the March competition. – **Tracy to action.**

A judge also needs to be secured. This person will need a debriefing on the rules and regulations prior to the competition. – **Tracy to action.**

The competition flyer has been completed and will be posted ASAP around the Universities and any other locations possible. – **All to action.**

The flyer will be emailed around in PDF format. – **Tracy to action.**

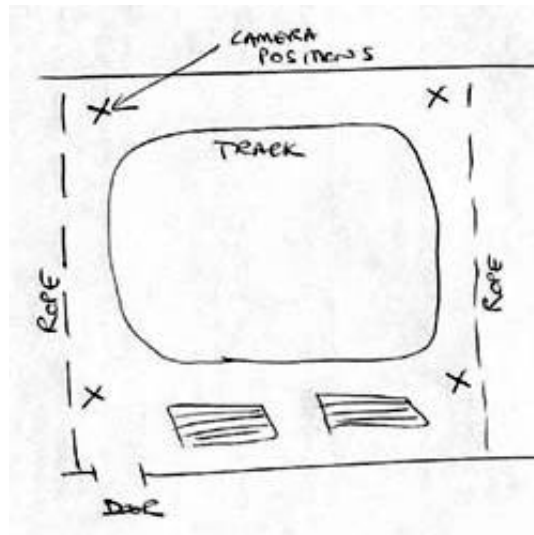
Medallions to be given to the first and second place winners for both the stockcar and sumo events. Style and engraving yet to be decided. – **Tracy to action.**

Security enhancements for the next competition.

The pit area will be divided by a row of desks to allow spectators viewing possibilities. This leaves one door to secure. To alleviate the need for a door guard, chains or rope will be used to section off a walkway and surrounds to the track, only allowing those with badges access to the track and pit area. See picture below.

Ropes or chain acquisition, possibly from UQ security. – **Aaron to action.**

Badges for the teams. – **Bruce to action.**



Possible rope and video camera positions.

Cameron has modified the existing rules for the stockcar and sumo. They now need to be cleaned up and issued to Tracy so they may go onto the web page. – **Cameron to action.**

All other competition details outlined in these minutes are to end up with Tracy so that the web page can be modified accordingly. – **Aaron to action.**

Scales will be required for the weigh in before the competition. – **Bruce to action.**

Stop watch is needed for the stockcar competition. – **Paul to action.**

Whiteboard and pens and extension leads. – **Gordon to action.**

Traffic lights. – **Tracy to action.**

After the competition, Mark has raised the option of pizza and drinks over near the Schonell. Details are required. – **Mark to action.** Otherwise another BBQ will be held after confirmation by Gordon. – **Tracy to action.**

The public liability issue that was raised for having our competitions in shopping centers still needs clarification of what and how much cover we actually have from ACS. (This issue will need to be resolved before the mid year comp) – **Bruce to action.**

A point to note for the March competition, is the presentation of trophies. On going over the videos from the last competition there wasn't any defined presentation to winners. This should be formalised with a small breather after the finals, before any presentations are given. This not only allows the crowd to digest the comp fully, but allows the competitors to organise themselves before the presentation. About 1-2 mins should be fine.

Changes to competition rules.

Stockcar.

1. Thou shall not stand on the track!!
2. One minder per team to be allowed inside the track during the race.
3. The technical tap.
 - a) If a car is fully off the track or has violated any other race rule, they are to be removed from that race.
 - b) If a car has become stuck, or is stationary or 10sec. That car or the offending car in a multiple car situation, is to be removed from the track for another 20sec. After this delay, the offending car is to be returned to track at the same location as removed. (Allowing any oncoming traffic to pass first). All totaled a penatly time of 30sec.
4. There shall only be two cars racing against each other during each heat, and in the finals, with one or two fun races with all cars at once. This method will be tested during this competition and compared with the previous competition for merit.

Sumo.

Refer to the rules guide Cameron has compiled. This guide is to be placed on the net. – **Tracy to action.**

2. Group Issues

Carry over tasks from previous meetings.

- Look into bulk purchases of standard components needed for the group through an educational source – **Michael to action.**

New issues.

>There will now be committee meetings before the presentations/guest speakers starting at 6:00pm,
>with the normal club meeting starting still at 7:30pm.

This works quite well, however a starting time of 6:30pm, for committee issues would be more appropriate.

>The Annual General Meeting will be held in the March committee meeting. This is required for the
>handover of all relevant material to the appropriate people. Plus to officially vote and clarify the
>remaining positions of the club.

The Annual General Meeting was started at 7:30pm with the nominations for President, Treasurer and Secretary voted on. Outcome is as follows.

| Person | Responsibility |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Tracy Engwirda | President |
| Bruce McNaught | Treasurer |
| Aaron Dwyer | Secretary |

No handover of material was achieved, so this must take place at the next committee meeting.

The Annual General Meeting was closed at 7:31pm.

The ACS no longer are at the same address. They have moved to Adelaide street in the city. For the next meetings after the competition, we will convene at the same address as usual until ACS have settled down at their city location.

3. Technical Issues

None from this meeting, however a carry over question of asking Shane how much his components cost and where he bought them from still remains.

4. Presentation

Michael's Japanese video and the 97 comp videos were watched.

5. Next Meeting

Tuesday, 7th April.

Committee meeting : Competition roundup and issues.

Standard club meeting : a showing of the videos taken should be possible.

Meeting Ended at 9:30pm.